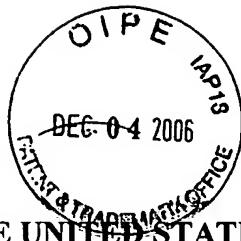


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PATENT

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Applicant : David Wiemer et al.
Serial No. : 10/780,391
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Docket : 17023.056US2

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 30, 2006. This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a two-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from September 30, 2006 to November 30, 2006.

The Examiner has requested election of one of the following groups:

Group I – Claims 1-33, 37 and 38 which are drawn to compounds and compositions of Formula 3, depicted in claim 1.

Group II – Claim 34-36 and 39-40 which are drawn to a method of use of compounds of Formula 1.

Group III – Claim 41 which is drawn to a protein conjugate.

In response to this Restriction Requirement, Applicant hereby elects Group I.

Additionally, in response to the Examiner's requirement for an election of species, Applicant

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I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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elects a compound of formula (I) as shown in claim 1 wherein: R₁ is 5-(N,N-dimethylaminosulfonyl)naphth-1-yl (see claim 10); R₂ is -O-P(=O)(-OH)-O-P(=O)(-OH)₂ (see claims 14 and 22); X is O (claim 31); and n is 2 (claim 29). It is noted that claims 1, 2, 7-10, 14, 22, 29, 31, and 33 read on the elected species.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3503. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account 50-3503.

Respectfully submitted,

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